

Local & Miscellaneous.

(From Saturday's Daily.)

LITARY.—Capt Jas Burns, with Lieut and a detachment of Company G, 5th Cavalry, and some Huapuli Indian scouts, returned to Fort Whipple last night, after a very careful and laborious examination of the Bill Williams mountain and country near Rattlesnake Cañon. They spent 16 days, and traveled between 120 and 130 miles. No fresh Indian signs were discovered. The command suffered severely from cold, the weather being very inclement, and snowing without cessation. In one place, an advance could only be made by breaking through snow girth deep.

At Mason, 5th Cavalry, started for San Francisco this morning.

Backboard "navigation" is rather difficult, now, in Arizona, owing to dark nights and muddy roads. The Hardyville buckboard left yesterday evening, in rain and impenetrable darkness. That for Garachino, Cal., and way points started this morning, with the driver and a very good mail.

Passengers will not travel in such conveyance, in such weather, and nobody blames the driver for staying where they are. They did go in any kind of covered wagons.

A new village council had a meeting, a few days ago, at which, we learn, it was not to publish a report of last year's operations, for the reason, it is said, the "government" is in debt. But, gentlemen, people are anxious to know how they stand, and we assure you that the village council is not in debt.

That gallant soldier, Captain J. W. Mason, who is about to start for California to meet and escort Mrs. Mason to Arizona, is in our office, yesterday, he stated that late rains played havoc with the new "house" which Mr. P. B. Brannen is erecting for government.

The meanest, smallest act of our runaway off and tax collector was related to us last night, by that excellent lady, Mrs. D. C. me, who stated that besides having been robbed of money from her husband, Thomas, she had a county warrant worth \$200 from Thorne, with which warrant Mr. T. had purloined with money belonging to her little Stephen. Could meanness go any farther? Think not.

MORE RAIN.—Thank God for the latest rain which commenced about 8 o'clock last night, and now, at this writing, 2 p. m., is falling good. Granite and other creeks in this section are "booming." Miners, farmers—all are happy as "big sandwichees."

One of J. M. Bryan's trials arrived yesterday from Ehrenburg, laden principally with government freight, among which was a lot of wire insulators, etc., for the extension of telegraph to Camp Verde.

Mr. Hardy was to have started for his home, Mohave county, to-day.

Miner compositor is now at work on the county Treasurer's Report, which will shortly be in type.

Mr. J. A. Towner and Mr. Boquest have gone to Camp Verde and the reservation.

Colonel Nelson will soon pay the troops at Appleton.

(From Monday's Daily.)

HEAVY RAINFALL.—We stated in last Friday's daily, that rain commenced falling about 8 o'clock on the Friday evening, and it is with great pleasure we state that it has rained almost incessantly since, and is still coming down very freely and effectively. Granite creek, which rises in the mountains, about 8 miles from Prescott, has swelled and swelled, and it is more like a navigable river than a creek. Yesterday, its restless current swept in great pine logs and detested many people attempting to cross it, astride the biggest horses. It was, we believe, higher than any white person had ever before seen in January of any year. All other creeks in this vicinity are in the same condition; and here is so wet that wells, shafts, etc., are caving in. We, who have so frequently for such a wetting, have, as yet, no notion of crying, "Hold-enough." No, we would rather have to flee, for safety, to mountains of Hepidam, or any other place, than have it "dry up," even at this wet time of the game.

Argent Anderson, who, in connection with Private Tim Lynch and others, recently robbed the commissary at Fort Whipple of, etc., etc., is a very old soldier, who has, unknown, borne an enviable reputation, and is looked upon, by all officers who knew him, as a very honest man. Gen. Crook has known him for many years, and when asked by Lieut. Weiting that Anderson stole some property and deserted, the general said, "No, no, Lieutenant, that man is not gone; hunt him up, he may be in Prescott." The news took the General by surprise, and it was quite a while before he could get it in his head to believe that one of his compatriots had robbed the Government Commissary, and deserted. It is, however, now known that Anderson, who had been in the stores stolen, was made drunk and committed crimes that most would impair his standing in the Army, and the blush of shame to his cheeks after he has been entrusted with large sums of money, and as often has accounted for every cent.

In this connection, it is well to remind the towns of Wickenburg, who arrested these men, that Gen. Crook is exceedingly thankful for their acts, and hopes that other citizens will follow their example, whenever they may have occasion for so doing, it being the interest of all good citizens to assist the officers who have given the Territory peace, in keeping the General's small force where that force is the most good. Never before, to our knowledge, have soldiers been better treated than those now under Gen. Crook's officers, so that none of them can have shadow of a pretext for deserting.

NEW COUNTY OFFICERS, ETC.—The Board of Supervisors (now in session), have appointed Under Sheriff H. M. Herbert to be Sheriff, and as Sheriff, with C. P. Head, George W. Noyes, C. A. Luke, L. A. Stevens and D. P. Noyes, as sheriffs. Also, bond as collector of taxes, with E. J. Cook, W. S. Head, W. Z. Wilson, as sheriffs, which bonds were approved. The talk is that Mr. Herbert is Under Sheriff, Wm. Wilkerson.

D. P. Foster having failed to qualify as a juror, T. S. Huff has been appointed. It is now a Supervisor of the county. Various gentlemen tried for the sheriff's office, and the general feeling has given it to Mr. Herbert, a man who will not follow his predecessor's bad example.

No Mails.—As yet, no mail from California.

and portions of Arizona south and west from Prescott. Postmaster Allen is informed, by telegraph, that the mail wagon left Wickenburg on time. Heavy roads and high water in the streams are, undoubtedly, the causes of its detention.

TELEGRAPHIC.—Lines working badly today, in consequence of which we have but a meagre batch of news from California, the East and Europe, and, worse still, no news at all from other points in our own Territory.

Messrs George Banghart, Miss Jennie Banghart, Mrs. C. Hall, C. T. Rogers, Wm. Waite and others, from Chino valley, came up in the storm, and suffered considerably.

Several robust men, just arrived from New Mexico, with cattle, are now in Prescott. They encountered snow in the mountains east of Verde, but came through with very little difficulty. One of the gentlemen reports several large bands of horses and cattle on the Little Colorado river, about 90 miles east of Prescott.

Taxpayers and others will be interested in the county treasurer's report for the fiscal year ending January 5, 1874, which appears elsewhere.

A GOOD CLAIM.—A gentleman named Moore has a claim on Lynx creek which has been paying him at the rate of an ounce of gold a day. This with a rocker.

(From Tuesday's Daily.)

RAIN AND RAINFALL.—It ceased raining, at Prescott, between 2 and 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon, after which time, several showers of sleet and snow descended. During the evening, the stars shone out, yet water kept coming down. On awaking this morning, the weather was quite cool, owing to the light frost; the high mountain points south of town appeared covered with snow, and most people believed the storm at an end, but, at this writing, 2 o'clock p. m., wind and sky appear to be mustering their forces for another pelting of snow or rain. The following, for which we are indebted to the hospital steward at Fort Whipple, gives facts and figures of general interest:

"Rainfall, last storm, 3.53 inches. The rainfall seemed greater than it actually was, owing, probably, to the force of the wind, which, at intervals, increased to from 40 to 50 miles."

Judge Fleury and a few other gentlemen succeeded, this forenoon, in throwing a temporary bridge across Granite creek, and people are now crossing from both sides of the "hostile" stream. The Judge felt happy upon reaching Prescott again, after his long stay of four nights and three days on the "other shore," during which time he sighed for a bridge upon which to cross over, since wading or swimming were out of the question, so far as he was concerned, and since, from witnessing the passage of men and animals over the turbulent stream, he was a little afraid to try either of these modes, for, had he not witnessed the performance of an affrighted horse, which, by bucking, etc., tried his very best to free himself from his rider, who came very near going head foremost into his grave.

Now, the Judge and several other citizens who live on both sides of Granite, are earnestly discussing the bridge question, which discussion will, we hope, be kept up until a plan for bridging the stream shall be agreed upon and carried out.

They have spoken to members of the village council, who informed them of their willingness to assist in the matter.

A GOOD "PROSPECT."—Our useful and energetic fellow-citizen, S. C. Rogers, took some prospecting tools up Granite creek, yesterday, delved in some gulches around Judge Brook's place, washed several pans of gravel, each of which yielded over a cent of gold. Coming into the office, he showed us about two cents' worth of gold, the product of a shovel-full of gravel, and remarked that our article on the golden wealth of Prescott gravel was under the mark. Well, so it was, for with such prospects as Mr. Rogers got, we could, by washing the gravel in sluices, make decent daily wages; and by hydraulic washing, the same gravel would yield about an ounce of gold dust for every day's work of one man. All of which tempts us to call, strongly, for good California, Colorado and other miners to come here and go to digging for gold.

Persons wishing to go East, should read the advertisement of the stage line to Santa Fe. Mr. Harlow brought in seven passengers on his first trip from Santa Fe, and will be ready to start back with ample accommodations for passengers in two or three weeks. This route is the nearest, quickest, and cheapest, for travellers from Northern Arizona to any point East, and we hope that Mr. H. will have business enough to enable him to run stages till he gets a mail contract.

MILITARY.—Col. Coppinger, 23d Infantry, arrived at Headquarters, from Camp Verde, last night.

Lieut. Eaton, 5th Cavalry, left for the Verde this morning.

Capt. James Burns, 5th Cavalry, has been suffering from a very severe cold, contracted from exposure during his recent trip. He is now recovering.

We understand, a general court-martial is to assemble at Fort Whipple some time this week.

The piece of road between Prescott, Military Headquarters and Fort Whipple is awful muddy, and, of course, hard to "navigate." In dry weather it can't be beat, and a little graveling and ditching would make it equally good in the wettest time. The best thing government can do with Howard, Colyer, Wilkinson and other public cribblers is to send them out here to make good roads for our good Christian people.

The artists now in Prescott—Messrs Flanders & Penelon—are masters of every branch of their business. They will shortly visit the Verde, Wickenburg and other important points in the Territory, so that the people of this section who have not yet "been taken" should go at once and submit.

The mail wagon arrived a little before dark, yesterday afternoon. The driver reports awful muddy roads and very high streams. He had great difficulty in crossing Kirkland and other swollen creeks, but brought the mail through in very good condition, for having done which he is a regular brick.

Mr. A. O. Noyes is talking, quite seriously, of starting up the old Chase mill, on the Hassayampa. We hope he will do so, and win that success which he merits. He expects to crush rock from the Davis and other good mines. Mr. George Hogle, a good miner and amalgamator, will aid Mr. Noyes.

(From Wednesday's Daily.)

VILLAGE AFFAIRS.—We have good reasons for believing that our recently elected village council will do its best to accomplish some good work. True, they have but little if any money, with which to commence work, but there are many jobs to be sold, the proceeds of which, it is thought, will complete the

works already begun and, maybe, bridge Granite creek. The report of last year's financial affairs will appear in next WEEKLY MINER, and will, we think, show that the old council, although a little inert, was not very wasteful of money.

Prescott and Arizona have lost another good citizen by the death of Aaron Wertheimer, a man who was widely known, loved and respected by all who knew him. A native of Baden, Germany, he came to the United States while quite young. He was one of the first settlers of Martinez, California, which place he left for Arizona some time in 1863, since which time he has resided at La Paz, Weaver, Walker, Phoenix and Prescott, following his business of trader, and never making an enemy. Four or five months ago, he commenced complaining of the non-action of his digestive organs, and soon after, took a trip to southern Arizona, which trip was made against the advice of Dr. McCandless, his medical adviser, who, with Dr. Magruder, medical director of this military department, have recently done everything possible for him, but all to no purpose. And, so Aaron Wertheimer, the good citizen, the kind, true and benevolent Mason and Odd Fellow is no more among Earth's living. His spirit has flown upwards, leaving his body to the care of brothers and friends who are, even now, preparing to deposit it in its last resting place, in the Masonic Cemetery.

Mr. Rhodes, jeweler of this place, has an immense ledge of rock—assaying well in gold and silver—on Willow creek, a few miles from Prescott, which he talks of working by furnace and arrastra.

Mr. D. P. Foster informs us that the powder house of Mr. L. Bashford, with about two tons of powder, several cases of oil, etc., were almost destroyed by the recent storm. The house was very strong, yet the heavy pressure of water, soft dirt, etc., was too much for it. It stood back of Gray & Co.'s old store. The loss is considerable.

MORE GOLD.—Mr. Fred Hilderbrecht, of Upper Agua Fria valley, dropped in this morning to pay a year's subscription, and inform us that Mr. Willard Rice, who came up with him, brought to town \$255 in gold dust, which he had just taken from the bottom of his arrastra. Hilderbrecht also stated that the valley was recently under water. Creek very high; ground too wet to plow. All good news.

Now, "boys," for a prosperous mining season, with arrastras, sluices, rockers, etc., etc. Pitch in and make a stake for the summer.

Col. Bigelow has sent back good news from Lynx creek. Lots of gold in his claims, some already in his purse, and abundance of water with which to wash out more. Good.

That lucky prospector, George Monroe, has again struck a rich ledge, and will arrastra. His ledge is east of Wickenburg, and is spoken of in our telegraphic dispatches.

Mr. Levi Bashford has gone East, to see Mrs. B. who, at latest date, was quite unwell.

Mr. C. R. Foster, U. S. Deputy mineral surveyor, will soon start work in Mohave county.

SNOW.—Between two and three inches of snow fell here last night, and a much greater quantity in the mountains around town. Atmosphere, this morning, quite chilly.

Dud. Moreland and "Sandy" Hammond arrived in town from Bradshaw about noon to-day, and state that they were driven in by Indians.

Mr. Wm. Head is up here from the Verde, but will shortly return. He was in our office this morning and stated that the Verde river was very high,—at the time of the latest departure. It was running all over the low valleys. Mr. Peter Arnold lost a wagon in flood.

Colonel H. A. Bigelow, Alex Harris and others started for Lynx creek early this morning, with a wagon load of mining tools, provisions, etc. They will work the placer claims of the Bashford Mining Company, which will certainly pay well.

Messrs. Geo. W. Bowers and H. H. Carter, Jr., district attorney, have recently arrived from the Verde. They had a very wet time of it. They report the river and creeks very high.

Col. Nelson paid the troops at Whipple yesterday, and some of them have already parted with their cash.

Lovejoy & Co. and Smith & Co. are piling down auriferous gravel on lower Lynx Creek.

The Prescott string-band operated at the Montezuma saloon, last night. Music was, of course, good.

M. Goldwater has a card in to-day's MINER, the tenor of which is low rates of contracts, upon which subject we, ourselves, will soon say something.

Our recently appointed sheriff, H. M. Herbert, and district-attorney Carter, "took horse" and started to Wickenburg this forenoon.

Several persons prospecting just above town yesterday, got good prospects near Judge Brooks' place, and are preparing to sluice.

Kelly & Stephens, news dealers, north side of the plaza, have just received a lot of elegant chromos. Call and see them.

(From Thursday's Daily.)

FROM THE BRADSHAW REGION.—Messrs D. C. Moreland and George A. Hammond arrived here yesterday, from Bradshaw. On learning that they had been driven in by Indians, we hunted up Mr. Moreland, who informed us that the report to that effect was almost true. They had been absent from the Tiger village, hunting and prospecting, for about seventeen days, and, on returning, saw, to their sorrow, that about twenty Indians had visited the village during their absence, broken into the houses, cut and scattered the contents of a great many mattresses; carried off clothing of all kinds, some 300 table knives, several small files, all of the provisions, save bacon, which they cut up and scattered all over the cabin floors. Nothing escaped their mischievous hands. In this dilemma, the men had to come to town for more clothing, provisions, etc.

"Dud" thinks he can lead a party of troops to the rendezvous of the red thieves, and expects Gen. Crook to send out a party. He is of opinion that the savages in question have been, are yet, living in the rough section of country between Castle and Humburg creeks, and have never yet been on any reservation, save on a visit.

The mining news brought by the party is good. Three arrastras are running on good gold rock, on Humburg creek, and George Monroe and others were preparing to start another.

Dud says that it rained hard for 56 hours, at Charley Taylor's place.

Night before last, between eight and twelve inches of snow fell in the mountains at the head of the Hassayampa.

Mr. Harlow, who recently arrived here from Santa Fe, New Mexico, with several coaches and wagons, thinks of employing several of his men and teams in farming on the Verde. His coach will start back for Santa Fe just as soon as a sufficient number of passengers are ready to go. He will carry and board passengers, from Prescott to Santa Fe, for about \$70 each, and passage can be secured to Kansas City, Missouri, for \$170. The escort which came with his train will travel in company with the passenger coach as far as Fort Wingate.

While conversing with him the other day, he informed us that the railroad was within 180 miles of Santa Fe, and that freight could be brought here from the terminus, for 7 cents per pound, currency.

Weather, last night and this morning was decidedly cool and disagreeable. The ground froze harder than a negro's head.

Grant's mail buckboard arrived at about 20 minutes to 10 this morning. The driver appeared to be in want of a "stiff horn" as he drove his four horse team past our office.

The telegraph office at Fort Whipple is doing a first rate business. The operator, Mr. Wm. Ellison, is a king among his fellows and a favorite with all who know him. Our business men are patronizing the line in a very liberal manner.

Very many citizens of Prescott are impressed with the belief that the rain-gauge at Fort Whipple Hospital is far from being a correct instrument. They think so from having, on various occasions, watched and measured the fall of rain, in buckets and other vessels, which they placed away from eaves, trees, etc., in places where not a drop of water besides those which descended from Heaven, could enter any of said vessels. But, to the point; one citizen measured, after last fall of rain, something in the neighborhood of six inches of water, while the Hospital report placed the rainfall at 2.53 inches. How is it, Mr. Hospital?

I. O. O. F.—The following officers of Arizona Lodge No. 1, were installed last night: L. B. Jewell, N. G.; J. E. G. Mitchell, V. G.; C. A. Luke, Secretary; T. S. Huff, Treasurer; T. H. Head, W.; and J. Goldstein, O. G.

The funeral of Aaron Wertheimer took place at 1 o'clock to-day, under the auspices of the Masonic fraternity. The funeral was a large one.

Most of the main roads of the county are in a terrible condition, and 'here are tax-payers who think that the county ought to assist in repairing them. What say our board of supervisors?

MILITARY.—Lieutenant Manning, 23d Infantry, has been transferred by the War Department, from Company I, to Company A to Company L.

Dr. Tonner, Special Indian Agent, returned from Camp Verde last night.

Capt. Burns' health continues to improve.

BORN.

In Prescott, January 21, 1874, to the wife of Ed. W. Wells, a son.

DIED.

At Baker's Ranch, Yuma county, A. T., January 5th, 1874, Josephine, daughter of Jose and Theodore Aguilera, aged 2 years 2 months and 23 days.

In Prescott, January 30, 1874, of cancer of the stomach, Adolph WENTHIMER, a native of Baden, Germany, aged about 41 years.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Village Finances.

To the Hon. Mayor and Council of the Village of Prescott.

I have the honor to submit the following statement of the affairs of the village, from the 30th day of January, 1873, to the date of my appointment, to January 12, 1874, embracing the report of the Village Treasurer for the same term.

After the Organization of the Council, Hon. Henry W. Finley, Probate Judge of the county, turned over to the village authorities, all papers and money pertaining to the town site, and donated to them all unpaid for, and vacant lots of the Town-site.

The amount of funds paid into the Village Treasury by the Village Treasurer, was \$1,000.00. By School Trustees \$100.00. By School Trustees \$100.00. By School Trustees \$100.00. By School Trustees \$100.00.

Against this amount warrants have been drawn by the Council and paid by the Treasurer:

For Furniture \$50.00. For Publishing and Printing \$100.00. For Election Clerk \$50.00. For Rent of Office \$100.00. For Marshal as Street and Fire Commissioner \$100.00. For Stationary \$100.00. For Pay of Recorder \$100.00. For Ditching and Bridging on Streets \$100.00.

Leaving in Treasury a Balance of \$322.00. There is an outstanding indebtedness amounting to \$304.30, as follows:

For pay of Marshal, at \$40.00 per month \$217.00. For Recorder \$100.00. For Marshal as Street and Fire Commissioner \$100.00. For Stationary \$100.00. For Pay of Recorder \$100.00. For Ditching and Bridging on Streets \$100.00.

The assets of the Village consist of a large number of town lots, which the Council propose to sell at auction from time to time to raise funds to settle all liabilities and complete the improvements begun.

None of the lots turned over to the Village authorities by the Probate Judge, have been disposed of, except twelve, which, on petition of the School Trustees, were set apart for the use of the Prescott School District.

The number of arrests made by the Village Marshal during his term of office, was twenty-six, and all cases have been tried before one of the Justices of the Peace for the Precinct of Prescott.

As the Village has had no secure place of detention for prisoners, all prisoners have been placed in the County Jail, and all fines collected which were imposed for offenses committed against provisions of the Territorial laws, have been paid into the County Treasurer.

The Recorder has now in his hands of fines collected, twenty-nine dollars which have not been paid over. Very respectfully, Your Obedt Servt.

JAS. C. OTIS, Recorder.

PHOTOGRAPHIC NOTICE.

Do not forget that FLANDERS & PENELON, Artists, remain in Prescott only during the present month. And the public are particularly requested to call and examine specimens of work MADE IN PRESCOTT, whether they desire work or not, as it is always a pleasure to receive their patronage.

LIFE SIZE PORTRAITS CANNOT BE EXCELLED. Pictures taken in cloudy weather, guaranteed equal to any taken on the brightest day. jan10th

REDUCTION.

TOLLS AND FERRIAGE.

THE PRESCOTT AND MOHAVE TOLL ROAD Co. have reduced the rates of toll to one-fourth the usual rates on all stock driven to Arizona over the Prescott and Mohave Toll Road, (except on stock intended for slaughter).

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PRESCOTT, ARIZONA.

Respectfully announce to the people of Northern Arizona, that they have now on hand

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Ever Offered in this Market,

LADIES' FURNISHING GOODS,

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DRY GOODS GROCERIES

PROVISIONS, FLOUR,

Dried and Canned Fruits and Meats.

Boots and Shoes,

CUTLERY, HARDWARE

CROCKERYWARE

GLASSWARE WOODENWARE

TOBACCOS AND CIGARS,

WINES, LIQUORS,

FANCY GOODS, OILS AND PAINTS,

Guns, Pistols,

RIFLE AND BLASTING POWDER,

SHOT, LEAD,

FUSE AND CARTRIDGES,

Iron and Steel,

Mining & Farming Implements,

ETC., ETC., ETC.

WHICH WE WILL SELL FOR CASH ONLY, AT THE SMALLEST POSSIBLE MARGIN ABOVE COST AND CARRIAGE.

LIBERAL PRICES

Paid in Merchandise or Currency

GOLD DUST,

GOLD AND SILVER BULLION,

AND THE

Merchandise Products

OF THE COUNTRY GENERALLY.

Having carefully studied the character of goods desirable for this market, and having on hand so large and so varied an assortment, selected with the greatest possible care, we are confident that for the coming year we will be better enabled to satisfy the mercantile wants of this community than ever heretofore.

C. P. HEAD & CO.

Prescott, Arizona, January 2, 1874.

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BEING DESIROUS OF CLOSING UP THEIR BUSINESS, as their term of co-partnership expires January 1st, 1874, offer their entire stock of

GENERAL MERCHANDISE

AT COST.

Our Stock Consists of a Complete Assortment of

GROCERIES,

DRY GOODS, CLOTHING,

Wines and Liquors,

Hardware, Tinware,

Farming and Mining Tools,

BOOTS and SHOES,

DRUGS, MEDICINES,

Cigars and Tobacco,

Stationery, &c., &c.

All parties having claims against us will present them for payment.

All parties indebted to us will please settle without delay, and save costs.

CAMPBELL & HUFFUM, oct18

Prescott, October 17, 1873.